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Identical letters dated 9 October 2013 from the Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

I write to inform you of the potential for a dangerous escalation on Israel's southern border. Once again, Israeli citizens came under attack when, early this morning, a rocket fired from central Gaza exploded inside Israel.

The new school year has started and Israeli parents are worrying whether their children will spend their days running in the schoolyard or running for the bomb shelter. Israel cannot be expected to stand by as its citizens become the victims of attacks.

The only thing more deafening than the sirens that go off in Israel when a rocket is fired is the international community's silence. After seven years, it is time for this Council to unanimously condemn the unprovoked attacks.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter distributed as a document of the Security Council.

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